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## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Communication, Docket No. 07-135

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On April 14, 2008, William A. Haas, Vice President - Regulatory & Public Policy of McLeodUSA, a PaeTec company, Charles E. Sieving, Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of PaeTec (by phone), and the undersigned met with Jay Atkinson, Chris Barnekov, Randy Clarke, Lynne Engledow, Victoria Goldberg, Al Lewis, Marcus Maher, Bill Sharkey, and Deena Shetler of the Wireline Competition Bureau ("WCB"). The participants discussed the proposals made in the above-referenced docket. McLeod's recommendations were consistent with its comments filed in this proceeding. Specifically, McLeodUSA recommended that if the FCC finds it necessary to craft rules to prohibit traffic stimulation, rather than rely on the complaint process, any such rules should be narrowly tailored and not apply to any local exchange carrier ("LEC") that charges or mirrors a price cap LEC interstate access rate. McLeodUSA reiterated that the proposed access minute of use thresholds, certifications, and declaratory rulings are overbroad and could have unintended consequences that would thwart competition for end user customers.

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Sincerely yours,

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